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Honorable Ed Smith  
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Dear Justices Honorable Smith,

I am writing today to express my opposition to the proposed rule change 8.4(g).

Dear Justices,

Are we not a nation 'Under God' - The God of the Bible? Our founding fathers thought so and we should to. The Bible is 'freely' owned and used as a basis of our nation's Christian faith. Those that believe the Bible is true believe that marriage is a Holy covenant that God intended for all humanity to join a man and a woman together in a lifetime relationship - not a man and man or woman and woman. I quote from the scripture of the Bible King James version in Romans Chapter 1 verses 20-32:

Romans 1:verses 20-32 King James Version (KJV)

20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:

25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.

26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

30 Backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:

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32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

Please allow the lawyers to use the language that is from the truth in the Bible without persecution or penalty. God made us sexual beings but only with the opposite sex. It is a sin to do otherwise. It is not wrong to have strong friendships with those of the same sex, but it is wrong to lust for and have sex with a person of the same sex gender. I pray that as justices that pass rulings on the people that you will seek the truth and wisdom from God's word - the Bible.

I hope you'll reject this rule change.

Sincerely,

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